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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPERATION SAFEGUARD SAN DIEGO

San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency to test mass vaccination response on Nov. 18

WHAT: Operation Safeguard San Diego

County's mass vaccination exercise; free flu shots for all adults who participate

WHEN: Media availability 11 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18

Clinic exercise takes place until 2 p.m.

WHERE: Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center

6845 University Ave., Building A

San Diego

WHO: Nancy Bowen, San Diego County Public Health Officer

Steve Wood, chief, Emergency Medical Services and Disaster Preparedness

Sandy Ross, chief, Immunization program

County public health nurses Local health care providers

WHY: Operation Safeguard San Diego will test HHSA's ability to vaccinate large numbers of

people quickly, which would be needed in the event of disease outbreak. Adult volunteers will receive a free flu shot during this exercise. HHSA hopes to attract

hundreds of volunteers to the drill.

Reporters are invited to join the exercise as participants and receive a free flu

shot.

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